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Centralization versus decentralization

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The Annual Report to BOB on ADP under BOB Circular A-55 Rev., dated 15 November 1963 - due 31 March 1965 according to Mr. Becker in his memo to ExDir-Compt,

"has been compiled from information provided by 15 ADP UNITS in the Agency. It represents practically the same number of ineffectively coordinated ADP activities in the Agency. OCS cannot authenticate the equipment utilization and ADP cost figures not the plans for new computers reported by the other 14 components. An analysis of the subject report clearly shows that the Agency is moving toward decentralization of ADP mgmt and activities. This is contrary to our understanding of the direction intended when OCS was established, the direction reiterated by BOB in Circular A-71 dated 6 March 1965, and the intent of proposed legislation, i.e., HR 4845, 89th Congress.

8 computer units; 7 punched card units

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Plans show peak level of 23 computers in FY 66

Costs to increase from [ ] in FY 64 to [ ] in FY 66.

OCS wld be spending 40% of ADP dollar in 66 compared to 44 in FY 64.

OCS wld have 20% of ADP personnel comp to 37% in 64.

OCS wld have 2 of the 17 computers planned for FY 68 onward.

Plans for future equipmt buys in the report had not been cleared thru OCS. OCS plans for 3rd generation IBM 360 Mod 64 system wld accommodate OCS anticipated rqmts and shld eliminate need for computers in RID.

Mr. Becker recommended report not be sent to BOB in this form, but rather to show no planned change except in OCS for the CIA Computing Center. Also recommended no new computers be approved after March 67 (date for installation of IBM 360 system) until shown that Computer Center cannot meet CIA rqmts.